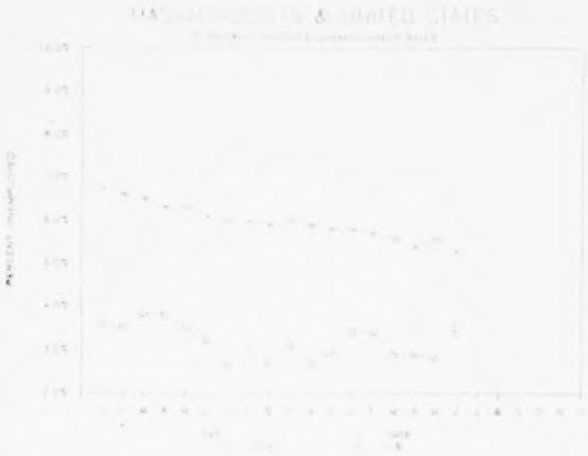

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to 5.3 percent from May's rate of 5.6 percent.

- The Boston PMSA's unemployment rate of 3.0 percent ranked as the lowest of the major labor areas. Other major labor areas in the state that experienced low unemployment rates include: Worcester MSA (3.2 percent), Springfield MSA (3.3 percent), and Salem-Gloucester PMSA (3.5 percent).

- The Fall River PMSA and New Bedford MSA unemployment rates ranked as the highest rates in the state at 5.2 percent and 4.7 percent respectively.

- In the smaller areas, the Nantucket County labor market area experienced an unemployment rate of 0.5 percent. The Duke's County LMA posted an unemployment rate of 1.5 percent. Both areas continue to experience labor shortages because of increased business during the summer season.

Tourism

Tourism's economic impact in the Commonwealth is becoming increasingly significant as the number of visitors to the state grows each year. In 1988, an estimated 26.7 million people will visit Massachusetts, up from 26.5 million in 1987. The Boston and Cape Cod areas experience the most tourist trade in the state.

According to the greater Boston Convention and Visitors Bureau, visitors to the greater Boston area numbered 8.5 million in 1987. This tourist trade generated an economic impact of 5.9 billion dollars and created 51,000 jobs, up 5 percent from 1986. Among the industries benefitting from tourism are: hotels, eating and drinking establishments, transportation, general retail stores, and entertainment and recreational services.

UNEMPLOYMENT RATES
UNITED STATES AND MASSACHUSETTS
SEASONALLY ADJUSTED

(In Thousands)

	June 1987	May 1987	June 1987
United States	5.3	5.6	6.1
Massachusetts	3.5	3.8	3.2
Labor Force	3,188.0	3,124.0	3,118.0
Employed	3,076.0	3,036.0	3,019.0
Unemployed	112.0	88.0	99.0

LABOR FORCE, EMPLOYMENT AND UNEMPLOYMENT
UNITED STATES, MASSACHUSETTS AND THE LABOR AREA
NOT SEASONALLY ADJUSTED

(In Thousands)

AREA	JUNE 1988	MAY 1988	JUNE 1987
UNITED STATES			
LABOR FORCE	123,028,000	120,775,000	121,153,000
EMPLOYMENT	116,209,000	114,222,000	113,498,000
UNEMPLOYMENT	6,819,000	6,553,000	7,655,000
PERCENT UNEMPLOYED	5.5	5.4	6.3
MASSACHUSETTS			
LABOR FORCE	3,216,700	3,105,800	3,147,800
EMPLOYMENT	3,106,500	3,022,000	3,050,500
UNEMPLOYMENT	110,200	83,800	97,300
PERCENT UNEMPLOYED	3.4	2.7	3.1
MAJOR LABOR AREAS			
BOSTON PMSA			
LABOR FORCE	1,583,400	1,540,210	1,553,230
EMPLOYMENT	1,535,770	1,504,040	1,511,210
UNEMPLOYMENT	47,630	36,170	42,020
PERCENT UNEMPLOYED	3.0	2.3	2.7
BROCKTON PMSA			
LABOR FORCE	101,930	97,570	98,110
EMPLOYMENT	97,600	94,430	94,600
UNEMPLOYMENT	4,330	3,140	3,510
PERCENT UNEMPLOYED	4.3	3.2	3.6
FALL RIVER PMSA			
LABOR FORCE	77,070	74,600	76,320
EMPLOYMENT	73,080	71,400	72,730
UNEMPLOYMENT	3,990	3,200	3,590
PERCENT UNEMPLOYED	5.2	4.3	4.7
FITCHBURG-LEOMINSTER MSA			
LABOR FORCE	46,830	45,130	47,110
EMPLOYMENT	44,730	43,720	45,190
UNEMPLOYMENT	2,100	1,420	1,920
PERCENT UNEMPLOYED	4.5	3.1	4.1
LAWRENCE-HAVERHILL PMSA			
LABOR FORCE	189,220	184,350	187,690
EMPLOYMENT	181,480	178,140	179,250
UNEMPLOYMENT	7,730	6,210	8,440
PERCENT UNEMPLOYED	4.1	3.4	4.5
LOWELL PMSA			
LABOR FORCE	153,000	149,030	151,950
EMPLOYMENT	147,110	144,800	146,780
UNEMPLOYMENT	5,890	4,240	5,170
PERCENT UNEMPLOYED	3.8	2.8	3.4
NEW BEDFORD MSA			
LABOR FORCE	88,710	85,370	85,450
EMPLOYMENT	84,500	81,940	81,540
UNEMPLOYMENT	4,210	3,430	3,910
PERCENT UNEMPLOYED	4.7	4.0	4.6

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LABOR FORCE, EMPLOYMENT AND UNEMPLOYMENT
UNITED STATES, MASSACHUSETTS AND THE LABOR AREA
NOT SEASONALLY ADJUSTED

(In Thousands)

AREA	JUNE 1988	MAY 1988	JUNE 1987
PITTSFIELD MSA			
LABOR FORCE	42,680	40,550	41,550
EMPLOYMENT	40,670	38,970	40,020
UNEMPLOYMENT	2,010	1,580	1,530
PERCENT UNEMPLOYED	4.7	3.9	3.7
SALEM-GLOUCESTER PMSA			
LABOR FORCE	159,860	152,950	155,470
EMPLOYMENT	154,320	149,000	150,610
UNEMPLOYMENT	5,540	3,950	4,860
PERCENT UNEMPLOYED	3.5	2.6	3.1
SPRINGFIELD MSA			
LABOR FORCE	261,020	253,120	255,100
EMPLOYMENT	252,350	246,460	246,620
UNEMPLOYMENT	8,670	6,650	8,480
PERCENT UNEMPLOYED	3.3	2.6	3.3
WORCESTER MSA			
LABOR FORCE	224,810	218,890	217,100
EMPLOYMENT	217,650	213,330	211,000
UNEMPLOYMENT	7,160	5,560	6,110
PERCENT UNEMPLOYED	3.2	2.5	2.8
OTHER LABOR AREAS			
AMHERST LMA			
LABOR FORCE	31,560	30,630	30,250
EMPLOYMENT	30,490	29,930	29,350
UNEMPLOYMENT	1,070	710	900
PERCENT UNEMPLOYED	3.4	2.3	3.0
ATHOL LMA			
LABOR FORCE	10,640	10,040	10,340
EMPLOYMENT	10,030	9,570	9,960
UNEMPLOYMENT	610	470	380
PERCENT UNEMPLOYED	5.7	4.7	3.7
ATTLEBORO LMA			
LABOR FORCE	50,450	48,890	48,630
EMPLOYMENT	48,010	47,080	46,660
UNEMPLOYMENT	2,450	1,810	1,970
PERCENT UNEMPLOYED	4.8	3.7	4.1
BARNSTABLE LMA			
LABOR FORCE	111,460	99,900	111,390
EMPLOYMENT	107,610	96,590	108,340
UNEMPLOYMENT	3,860	3,320	3,060
PERCENT UNEMPLOYED	3.5	3.3	2.7
DUKES COUNTY LMA			
LABOR FORCE	9,210	7,000	8,590
EMPLOYMENT	9,070	6,870	8,450
UNEMPLOYMENT	140	130	140
PERCENT UNEMPLOYED	1.5	1.9	1.6

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LABOR FORCE, EMPLOYMENT AND UNEMPLOYMENT
UNITED STATES, MASSACHUSETTS AND THE LABOR AREA
NOT SEASONALLY ADJUSTED

(In Thousands)

AREA	JUNE 1988	MAY 1988	JUNE 1987
GARDNER LMA			
LABOR FORCE	15,410	14,860	15,010
EMPLOYMENT	14,730	14,300	14,320
UNEMPLOYMENT	690	560	680
PERCENT UNEMPLOYED	4.5	3.8	4.5
GREAT BARRINGTON LMA			
LABOR FORCE	9,860	9,210	9,510
EMPLOYMENT	9,640	9,020	9,300
UNEMPLOYMENT	220	190	210
PERCENT UNEMPLOYED	2.2	2.0	2.2
GREENFIELD LMA			
LABOR FORCE	27,200	25,650	26,450
EMPLOYMENT	26,350	25,070	25,850
UNEMPLOYMENT	850	580	600
PERCENT UNEMPLOYED	3.1	2.2	2.3
NANTUCKET LMA			
LABOR FORCE	6,700	4,850	7,310
EMPLOYMENT	6,670	4,790	7,250
UNEMPLOYMENT	30	60	60
PERCENT UNEMPLOYED	0.5	1.2	0.8
NORTH ADAMS LMA			
LABOR FORCE	21,380	20,500	20,500
EMPLOYMENT	20,520	19,830	19,590
UNEMPLOYMENT	850	670	910
PERCENT UNEMPLOYED	4.0	3.3	4.5
SOUTHBRIDGE LMA			
LABOR FORCE	13,710	13,360	13,730
EMPLOYMENT	13,090	12,850	13,230
UNEMPLOYMENT	620	510	510
PERCENT UNEMPLOYED	4.5	3.8	3.7
TAUNTON LMA			
LABOR FORCE	27,840	26,820	25,250
EMPLOYMENT	26,640	25,940	24,220
UNEMPLOYMENT	1,210	880	1,030
PERCENT UNEMPLOYED	4.3	3.3	4.1
WARE LMA			
LABOR FORCE	8,530	8,170	8,570
EMPLOYMENT	8,190	7,890	8,310
UNEMPLOYMENT	350	290	250
PERCENT UNEMPLOYED	4.0	3.5	3.0
BALANCE of WESTERN MASS EA			
LABOR FORCE	9,300	8,720	9,060
EMPLOYMENT	8,950	8,480	8,760
UNEMPLOYMENT	350	230	300
PERCENT UNEMPLOYED	3.8	2.7	3.3

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LABOR FORCE, EMPLOYMENT AND UNEMPLOYMENT
MASSACHUSETTS CITIES AND TOWNS

JUNE 1988 PRELIMINARY ESTIMATES

City or Town Name	Labor Force	Employment	Unemployment	Rate
ABINGTON	7,888	7,572	316	4.0
ACTON	10,290	10,125	165	1.6
ACUSHNET	5,334	5,129	205	3.8
ADAMS	5,559	5,325	234	4.2
AGAWAM	14,863	14,472	391	2.6
ALFORD	255	245	10	3.9
AMESBURY	7,501	7,213	288	3.8
AMHERST	19,923	19,325	598	3.0
ANDOVER	14,238	13,879	359	2.5
ARLINGTON	26,983	26,347	636	2.4
ASHBURNHAM	2,430	2,308	122	5.0
ASHBY	1,263	1,219	44	3.5
ASHFIELD	927	896	31	3.3
ASHLAND	7,229	7,051	178	2.5
ATHOL	4,618	4,364	254	5.5
ATTLEBORO	19,008	18,014	994	5.2
AUBURN	8,738	8,561	177	2.0
AVON	2,982	2,857	125	4.2
AYER	3,611	3,481	130	3.6
BARNSTABLE	23,053	21,957	1,096	4.8
BARRE	2,343	2,286	57	2.4
BECKET	772	738	34	4.4
BEDFORD	6,974	6,826	148	2.1
BELCHERTOWN	4,942	4,816	126	2.5
BELLINGHAM	7,722	7,431	291	3.8
BELMONT	14,381	14,102	279	1.9
BERKLEY	1,832	1,750	82	4.5
BERLIN	1,300	1,272	28	2.2
BERNARDSTON	1,045	1,008	37	3.5
BEVERLY	23,431	22,769	662	2.8
BILLERICA	23,041	22,272	769	3.3
BLACKSTONE	3,483	3,292	191	5.5
BLANDFORD	585	576	9	1.5
BOLTON	1,693	1,650	43	2.5
BOSTON	307,392	295,813	11,579	3.8
BOURNE	8,386	8,114	272	3.2
BOXBOROUGH	2,099	2,063	36	1.7
BOXFORD	3,116	3,049	67	2.2
BOYLSTON	2,186	2,132	54	2.5
BRAINTREE	19,647	19,059	588	3.0
BREWSTER	3,839	3,748	91	2.4
BRIDGEWATER	9,800	9,426	374	3.8
BRIMFIELD	1,252	1,210	42	3.4
BROCKTON	50,320	47,815	2,505	5.0
BROOKFIELD	1,526	1,481	45	2.9
BROOKLINE	32,951	32,258	693	2.1
BUCKLAND	1,025	1,012	13	1.3
BURLINGTON	13,996	13,644	352	2.5
CAMBRIDGE	55,421	53,937	1,484	2.7
CANTON	10,477	10,242	235	2.2
CARLISLE	2,283	2,245	38	1.7
CARVER	4,703	4,543	160	3.4
CHARLEMONT	674	650	24	3.6
CHARLTON	4,270	4,147	123	2.9
CHATHAM	3,564	3,505	59	1.7
CHELMSFORD	19,731	19,152	579	2.9
CHELSEA	11,892	11,278	614	5.2
CHESHIRE	1,766	1,705	61	3.5
CHESTER	575	535	40	7.0
CHESTERFIELD	627	607	20	3.2
CHICOPEE	30,049	28,939	1,110	3.7
CHILMARK	541	535	6	1.1
CLARKSBURG	1,047	1,032	15	1.4
CLINTON	6,933	6,674	259	3.7
COHASSET	3,971	3,834	137	3.5
COLRAIN	917	879	38	4.1
CONCORD	9,375	9,227	148	1.6
CONWAY	860	832	28	3.3
CUMMINGTON	413	401	12	2.9
DALTON	3,493	3,332	161	4.6
DANVERS	15,202	14,875	327	2.2
DARTMOUTH	14,276	13,731	545	3.8
DEDHAM	13,825	13,478	347	2.5
DEERFIELD	2,945	2,882	63	2.1
DENNIS	7,729	7,474	255	3.3
DIGHTON	2,788	2,689	99	3.6
DOUGLAS	2,429	2,341	88	3.6
DOVER	2,502	2,461	41	1.6
DRACUT	15,237	14,692	545	3.6
DUDLEY	5,151	4,976	175	3.4
DUNSTABLE	1,238	1,221	17	1.4
DUXBURY	6,896	6,745	151	2.2
EAST BRIDGEWATER	5,557	5,364	193	3.5
EAST BROOKFIELD	983	953	30	3.1
EAST LONGMEADOW	6,587	6,421	166	2.5
EASTHAM	2,645	2,546	99	3.7
EASTHAMPTON	9,078	8,810	268	3.0
EASTON	11,270	10,935	335	3.0
EDGARTOWN	2,568	2,533	35	1.4
EGREMONT	884	866	18	2.0
ERVING	594	571	23	3.9
ESSEX	1,810	1,754	56	3.1
EVERETT	19,272	18,447	825	4.3
FAIRHAVEN	8,237	7,908	329	4.0
FALL RIVER	43,315	40,586	2,729	6.3
FALMOUTH	15,598	15,132	466	3.0
FITCHBURG	18,565	17,666	899	4.8
FLORIDA	393	376	17	4.3
FOXBOROUGH	8,214	8,085	129	1.6
FRAMINGHAM	40,008	39,063	945	2.4
FRANKLIN	10,297	10,010	287	2.8
FREETOWN	4,365	4,225	140	3.2
GARDNER	8,555	8,176	379	4.4
GAY HEAD	154	153	1	0.6
GEORGETOWN	3,160	3,070	90	2.8
GILL	774	765	9	1.2
GLOUCESTER	17,033	15,499	1,534	9.0
GOSHEN	427	422	5	1.2
GOSNOLD	44	44	0	0.0
GRAFTON	7,037	6,875	162	2.3
GRANBY	2,951	2,837	114	3.9
GRANVILLE	711	688	23	3.2
GREAT BARRINGTON	4,260	4,153	107	2.5
GREENFIELD	9,925	9,598	327	3.3
GROTON	3,943	3,883	60	1.5
GROVELAND	2,757	2,688	69	2.5
HADLEY	3,102	2,937	165	5.3
HALIFAX	3,027	2,929	98	3.2
HAMILTON	4,360	4,280	80	1.8
HAMPDEN	2,314	2,270	44	1.9
HANCOCK	360	353	7	1.9
HANOVER	6,218	6,058	160	2.6
HANSON	4,524	4,353	171	3.8
HARDWICK	938	899	39	4.2
HARVARD	3,511	3,459	52	1.5
HARWICH	5,272	5,155	117	2.2
HATFIELD	2,189	2,113	76	3.5
HAVERHILL	24,126	23,033	1,093	4.5
HAWLEY	195	192	3	1.5
HEATH	306	304	2	0.7
HINGHAM	10,399	10,117	282	2.7
HINSDALE	885	843	42	4.7
HOLBROOK	6,303	6,090	213	3.4
HOLDEN	7,843	7,685	158	2.0
HOLLAND	796	780	16	2.0
HOLLISTON	7,616	7,458	158	2.1
HOLYOKE	18,528	17,691	837	4.5
HOPEDALE	2,113	2,037	76	3.6
HOPKINTON	5,042	4,937	105	2.1
HUBBARDSTON	905	872	33	3.6
HUDSON	10,686	10,444	242	2.3
HULL	4,876	4,589	287	5.9
HUNTINGTON	933	910	23	2.5
IPSWICH	7,169	6,993	176	2.5
KINGSTON	4,359	4,208	151	3.5
LAKEVILLE	3,679	3,609	70	1.9
LANCASTER	3,245	3,185	60	1.8
LANESBOROUGH	1,688	1,629	59	3.5
LAWRENCE	29,906	27,869	2,037	6.8
LEE	3,122	2,991	131	4.2
LEICESTER	5,352	5,224	128	2.4
LENOX	3,514	3,410	104	3.0
LEOMINSTER	17,354	16,568	786	4.5
LEVERETT	1,120	1,108	12	1.1
LEXINGTON	17,084	16,786	298	1.7
LEYDEN	374	364	10	2.7
LINCOLN	3,583	3,524	59	1.6
LITTLETON	4,190	4,116	74	1.8
LONGMEADOW	8,064	7,875	189	2.3
LOWELL	53,823	51,121	2,702	5.0
LUDLOW	10,660	10,358	302	2.8
LUNENBURG	4,444	4,315	129	2.9
LYNN	41,173	39,120	2,053	5.0
LYNNFIELD	6,275	6,128	147	2.3

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JUNE 1988 PRELIMINARY ESTIMATES

City or Town Name	Labor Force	Employment	Unemployment	Rate
MALDEN	29,564	28,464	1,100	3.7
MANCHESTER	3,055	2,983	72	2.4
MANSFIELD	8,445	8,291	154	1.8
MARBLEHEAD	12,202	11,956	246	2.0
MARION	2,101	2,024	77	3.7
MARLBOROUGH	19,157	18,666	491	2.6
MARSHFIELD	12,087	11,677	410	3.4
MASHPEE	3,924	3,791	133	3.4
MATTAPOISETT	3,282	3,194	88	2.7
MAYNARD	5,823	5,696	127	2.2
MEDFIELD	5,674	5,588	86	1.5
MEDFORD	31,550	30,602	948	3.0
MEDWAY	5,247	5,100	147	2.8
MELROSE	16,202	15,752	450	2.8
MENDON	1,923	1,874	49	2.5
MERRIMAC	2,506	2,409	97	3.9
METHUEN	21,914	21,095	819	3.7
MIDDLEBOROUGH	8,346	8,045	301	3.6
MIDDLEFIELD	195	187	8	4.1
MIDDLETON	3,084	3,015	69	2.2
MILFORD	13,591	13,119	472	3.5
MILLBURY	6,499	6,324	175	2.7
MILLIS	4,073	3,973	100	2.5
MILLVILLE	988	932	56	5.7
MILTON	13,370	13,044	326	2.4
MONROE	66	61	5	7.6
MONSON	3,736	3,617	119	3.2
MONTAGUE	4,514	4,347	167	3.7
MONTEREY	647	637	10	1.5
MONTGOMERY	317	314	3	0.9
MOUNT WASHINGTON	81	80	1	1.2
NAHANT	2,272	2,191	81	3.6
NANTUCKET	6,702	6,669	33	0.5
NATICK	18,442	18,068	374	2.0
NEEDHAM	15,563	15,290	273	1.8
NEW ASHFORD	106	106	0	0.0
NEW BEDFORD	49,049	46,294	2,755	5.6
NEW BRAINTREE	319	307	12	3.8
NEW MARLBOROUGH	808	797	11	1.4
NEW SALEM	506	389	117	23.1
NEWBURY	2,709	2,643	66	2.4
NEWBURYPORT	9,076	8,714	362	4.0
NEWTON	49,079	48,087	992	2.0
NORFOLK	3,717	3,632	85	2.3
NORTH ADAMS	9,011	8,543	468	5.2
NORTH ANDOVER	11,649	11,293	356	3.1
NORTH ATTLEBOROUGH	12,566	12,035	531	4.2
NORTH BROOKFIELD	2,230	2,173	57	2.6
NORTH READING	7,040	6,874	166	2.4
NORTHAMPTON	14,851	14,436	415	2.8
NORTHBOROUGH	6,556	6,433	123	1.9
NORTHBRIDGE	6,816	6,599	217	3.2
NORTHFIELD	1,409	1,372	37	2.6
NORTON	7,727	7,501	226	2.9
NORWELL	4,983	4,853	130	2.6
NORWOOD	17,145	16,675	470	2.7
OAK BLUFFS	1,710	1,661	49	2.9
OAKHAM	526	520	6	1.1
ORANGE	2,897	2,754	143	4.9
ORLEANS	3,355	3,293	62	1.8
OTIS	507	450	57	11.2
OXFORD	6,645	6,430	215	3.2
PALMER	6,470	6,246	224	3.5
PAXTON	2,263	2,224	39	1.7
PEABODY	29,039	28,145	894	3.1
PELHAM	948	920	28	3.0
PEMBROKE	7,581	7,356	225	3.0
PEPPERELL	5,411	5,249	162	3.0
PERU	408	393	15	3.7
PETERSHAM	451	444	7	1.6
PHILLIPSTON	485	469	16	3.3
PITTSFIELD	25,962	24,551	1,411	5.4
PLAINFIELD	215	206	9	4.2
PLAINVILLE	3,463	3,110	353	10.2
PLYMOUTH	19,546	18,747	799	4.1
PLYMPTON	1,148	1,121	27	2.4
PRINCETON	1,731	1,703	28	1.6
PROVINCETOWN	2,457	2,305	152	6.2
QUINCY	47,883	46,094	1,789	3.7
RANDOLPH	16,900	16,270	630	3.7
RAYNHAM	5,270	5,119	151	2.9
READING	13,389	13,060	329	2.5
REHOBOTH	4,330	4,167	163	3.8
REVERE	23,421	22,467	954	4.1
RICHMOND	893	876	17	1.9
ROCHESTER	2,061	1,996	65	3.2
ROCKLAND	8,031	7,762	269	3.3
ROCKPORT	3,475	3,332	143	4.1
ROWE	189	181	8	4.2
ROWLEY	2,819	2,746	73	2.6
ROYALSTON	458	441	17	3.7
RUSSELL	811	783	28	3.5
RUTLAND	2,506	2,454	52	2.1
SALEM	23,514	22,640	874	3.7
SALISBURY	3,612	3,427	185	5.1
SANDISFIELD	423	417	6	1.4
SANDWICH	7,798	7,615	183	2.3
SAUGUS	14,982	14,453	529	3.5
SAVOY	419	372	47	11.2
SCITUATE	9,258	9,026	232	2.5
SEEKONK	6,612	6,456	156	2.4
SHARON	8,449	8,257	192	2.3
SHEFFIELD	1,686	1,651	35	2.1
SHELBURNE	1,056	1,006	50	4.7
SHERBORN	2,220	2,194	26	1.2
SHIRLEY	2,837	2,779	58	2.0
SHREWSBURY	13,386	13,036	350	2.6
SHUTESBURY	921	884	37	4.0
SOMERSET	9,931	9,559	372	3.7
SOMERVILLE	41,390	40,037	1,353	3.3
SOUTH HADLEY	9,035	8,809	226	2.5
SOUTHAMPTON	2,442	2,397	45	1.8
SOUTHBOROUGH	3,711	3,639	72	1.9
SOUTHBRIDGE	7,569	7,181	388	5.1
SOUTHWICK	4,225	4,128	97	2.3
SPENCER	6,145	5,994	151	2.5
SPRINGFIELD	69,457	66,712	2,745	4.0
STERLING	3,761	3,657	104	2.8
STOCKBRIDGE	1,357	1,328	29	2.1
STONEHAM	13,124	12,782	342	2.6
STOUGHTON	15,384	14,931	453	2.9
STOW	3,209	3,160	49	1.5
STURBRIDGE	3,470	3,335	135	3.9
SUDBURY	7,772	7,635	137	1.8
SUNDERLAND	2,398	2,269	129	5.4
SUTTON	3,435	3,387	48	1.4
SWAMPSCOTT	8,154	7,950	204	2.5
SWANSEA	8,230	7,976	254	3.1
TAUNTON	23,221	22,197	1,024	4.4
TEMPLETON	2,629	2,514	115	4.4
TEWKSBURY	15,311	14,802	509	3.3
TISBURY	3,036	2,989	47	1.5
TOLLAND	140	136	4	2.9
TOPSFIELD	3,258	3,160	98	3.0
TOWNSEND	4,574	4,481	93	2.0
TRURO	710	690	20	2.8
TYNGSBOROUGH	4,860	4,694	166	3.4
TYRINGHAM	241	233	8	3.3
UPTON	2,393	2,329	64	2.7
UXBRIDGE	4,854	4,717	137	2.8
WAKEFIELD	14,661	14,248	413	2.8
WALES	623	584	39	6.3
WALPOLE	11,224	10,716	508	4.5
WALTHAM	34,465	33,617	848	2.5
WARE	3,872	3,695	177	4.6
WAREHAM	11,078	10,560	518	4.7
WARREN	1,507	1,431	76	5.0
WARWICK	239	226	13	5.4
WASHINGTON	307	295	12	3.9
WATERTOWN	20,664	20,138	526	2.5
WAYLAND	7,161	7,047	114	1.6
WEBSTER	8,035	7,636	399	5.0
WELLESLEY	14,375	14,154	221	1.5
WELLFLEET	1,303	1,267	36	2.8
WENDELL	393	375	18	4.6
WENHAM	2,257	2,224	33	1.5
WEST BOYLSTON	3,446	3,386	60	1.7
WEST BRIDGEWATER	3,585	3,459	126	3.5

NOTE: By place of residence, not comparable to nonagricultural wage and salary employment

JUNE 1988 PRELIMINARY ESTIMATES

City or Town Name	Labor Force	Employ-ment	Unemploy-ment	Rate	City or Town Name	Labor Force	Employ-ment	Unemploy-ment	Rate
WEST BROOKFIELD	1,368	1,334	34	2.5	WHITMAN	7,507	7,243	264	3.5
WEST NEWBURY	1,648	1,613	35	2.1	WILBRAHAM	6,560	6,432	128	2.0
WEST SPRINGFIELD	15,135	14,645	510	3.4	WILLIAMSBURG	1,452	1,408	44	3.0
WEST STOCKBRIDGE	812	788	24	3.0	WILLIAMSTOWN	4,483	4,418	65	1.4
WEST TISBURY	1,160	1,157	3	0.3	WILMINGTON	9,681	9,382	299	3.1
WESTBOROUGH	8,161	7,978	183	2.2	WINCHENDON	3,321	3,162	159	4.8
WESTFIELD	18,994	18,432	562	3.0	WINCHESTER	11,202	10,983	219	2.0
WESTFORD	9,074	8,833	241	2.7	WINDSOR	349	327	22	6.3
WESTHAMPTON	773	760	13	1.7	WINTHROP	11,074	10,711	363	3.3
WESTMINSTER	2,775	2,659	116	4.1	WOBURN	22,782	22,136	646	2.8
WESTON	5,861	5,792	69	1.2	WORCESTER	83,554	80,190	3,364	4.0
WESTPORT	7,086	6,782	304	4.3	WORTHINGTON	605	589	16	2.6
WESTWOOD	7,115	6,992	123	1.7	WRENTHAM	4,005	3,887	118	2.9
WEYMOUTH	31,409	30,385	1,024	3.3					
WHATELY	956	936	20	2.1	YARMOUTH	10,755	10,457	298	2.8

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UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE CLAIMS[1]
MASSACHUSETTS AND THE LABOR AREAS

NOT SEASONALLY ADJUSTED

MASSACHUSETTS AND THE LABOR AREAS	INITIAL CLAIMS			CONTINUED CLAIMS[2]		
	JUNE 88	MAY 88	JUNE 87	JUNE 88	MAY 88	JUNE 87
MASSACHUSETTS	6,242	5,142	4,048	47,126	47,648	43,583
MAJOR LABOR AREAS						
BOSTON PMSA	1,812	1,741	1,699	19,986	20,286	17,857
BROCKTON PMSA	199	194	140	1,655	1,680	1,356
FALL RIVER PMSA[3]	357	373	204	1,995	2,105	1,874
FITCHBURG-LEOMINSTER MSA	100	95	88	940	735	900
LAWRENCE-HAVERHILL PMSA[4]	254	277	235	2,634	2,661	3,313
LOWELL PMSA[4]	223	227	170	2,048	1,880	1,700
NEW BEDFORD MSA	230	256	250	1,900	2,192	1,940
PITTSFIELD MSA	68	81	75	965	1,007	755
SPRINFIELD MSA	344	265	287	2,406	2,282	2,258
SALEM-GLOUCESTER PMSA	364	388	460	3,521	3,564	3,618
WORCESTER MSA	303	348	258	2,766	2,829	2,404
OTHER LABOR AREAS						
AMHERST LMA	18	13	15	120	121	111
ATHOL LMA	32	34	12	248	265	153
BARNSTABLE COUNTY LMA	111	130	86	1,300	1,747	1,010
BALANCE OF WESTERN MA EA	6	7	14	132	111	104
DUKES COUNTY LMA	1	2	3	25	52	29
GARDNER LMA	34	55	37	322	304	320
GREAT BARRINGTON LMA	5	9	6	81	90	85
GREENFIELD LMA	43	32	20	331	301	259
NANTUCKET LMA	0	3	2	7	19	9
NORTH ADAMS LMA	32	31	78	447	432	421
SOUTHBRIDGE LMA	17	43	20	237	273	210
TAUNTON LMA	100	90	62	576	498	481
WARE LMA	14	17	14	149	180	122

1 - Week that includes the 12th
2 - Includes regular compensation not extended compensation
3 - Includes Rhode Island residents of PMSA
4 - Includes New Hampshire residents of PMSA

EXPLANATION OF TERMS

Nonagricultural Wage and Salary Employment. Includes all workers who worked full or part-time or who received vacation pay, holiday pay or sick leave pay directly from the employer for the pay period which includes the 12th of the month. Excluded are workers in most agricultural industries as well as those in forestry, fisheries and international government. Also excluded are self-employed workers, unpaid family workers and domestics in private households.

Benchmark. A reasonably complete count of employment at a specified period of time, usually the first quarter of the year. The principal sources of benchmark data for the CES Program are tabulations of employment reported by establishments covered by the Massachusetts Employment Security Law and by Federal government agencies covered by Federal U.I. Law. These principal sources are supplemented for those nonagricultural jobs not covered by U.I. (e.g., religious, students employed by the institution attended).

Establishment. An establishment is an economic unit which produces goods or services, generally at a single physical location, and is engaged in only one type of activity.

Labor Force. The sum of the employed and unemployed living in the area (total employment plus total unemployment).

Total Employment. The count of persons, living in the area, who did any work at all, in any area, for pay or profit during the week of the month including the 12th or who had a job from which they were temporarily absent because of illness, vacation, labor dispute or other reasons which does not reflect a shortage of work.

Total Unemployment. The count of persons, living in the area, who did no work at all, in any area, during the week of the month including the 12th, but who were looking for work or awaiting recall from layoff or beginning a new job within the next 30 days.

Unemployment Rate. Unemployment expressed as a percent of the labor force.

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Employment Review

JULY 1988

Employment Posts Seasonal Declines

Total nonagricultural wage and salary employment, displaying normal seasonal patterns, declined by 37,100 jobs over the month. Employment levels stood at 3,119,100 for July 1988. Seasonal declines occurred in many of the industry groups.

- The manufacturing sector experienced declines of 12,600 as many companies suspended production for the vacation period. Durable goods and nondurable goods declined by 5,500 and 7,100 respectively.

- In the service sector, employment losses of 4,700 in educational services more than offset increases in other service industries.

- Government employment fell by 16,300 with the majority of the job loss occuring in the state and local school systems.

- Employment levels in the construction sector, and the finance, insurance and real estate sector expanded with 3,700 and 2,400 new jobs respectively in July 1988.

Employment in the Commonwealth shows strong and steady growth. Since July 1987, 68,200 new jobs have been created, a growth rate of 2.2 percent.

- The service sector continued to lead in over the year growth with 39,000 new jobs, up 4.6 percent from July 1987.

- Employment opportunities in the construction sector improved significantly as firms added 15,200 new jobs since last year.

- Finance insurance and real estate, and trade both displayed healthy annual growth rates gaining 10,000 and 13,900 jobs respectively.

Unemployment Rate Up Slightly

Massachusetts posted a 3.7 percent unemployment rate in July 1988, a modest increase from June's 3.5 percent rate. The nation's unemployment rate in July was 5.4 percent, up from June's rate of 5.3 percent.

- The Commonwealth's unemployment rate averaged 3.2 percent in the first seven months of 1988.

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NONAGRICULTURAL WAGE & SALARY EMPLOYMENT

MASSACHUSETTS

INDUSTRY	EMPLOYMENT			CHANGE			
				PRIOR MO.		YEAR AGO	
	JULY 1988	JUNE 1988	JULY 1987	#	%	#	%
NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT	3119.1	3156.2	3050.9	-37.1	-1.2	68.2	2.2
Manufacturing	573.6	586.2	587.3	-12.6	-2.1	-13.7	-2.3
Durable Goods	383.2	388.7	391.3	-5.5	-1.4	-8.1	-2.1
Lumber & Furniture	13.2	13.6	13.3	-0.4	-2.9	-0.1	-0.8
Stone,Clay & Glass	11.0	11.0	10.5	0.0	****	0.5	4.8
Primary Metals	15.1	15.6	15.2	-0.5	-3.2	-0.1	-0.7
Fabricated Metals	39.5	40.1	40.7	-0.6	-1.5	-1.2	-2.9
Cutlery,Hand tools,Hardware	8.3	8.3	8.6	0.0	****	-0.3	-3.5
Machinery, except electrical	100.1	101.3	102.4	-1.2	-1.2	-2.3	-2.2
Metalworking machinery	12.6	12.7	12.5	-0.1	-0.8	0.1	0.8
Special industry machinery	10.4	10.7	11.5	-0.3	-2.8	-1.1	-9.6
* Office Computing, & Accounting Machines	57.4	57.6	56.0	-0.2	-0.3	1.4	2.5
Electrical & Electronic machinery,equip.,etc.	101.9	103.7	104.1	-1.8	-1.7	-2.2	-2.1
Communications equipment	40.1	40.3	40.6	-0.2	-0.5	-0.5	-1.2
Electronic components	42.0	42.7	41.8	-0.7	-1.6	0.2	0.5
Transportation equipment	31.8	32.0	32.7	-0.2	-0.6	-0.9	-2.8
Instruments	52.4	52.5	54.0	-0.1	-0.2	-1.6	-3.0
Measuring & Control devices	17.6	17.6	19.0	0.0	****	-1.4	-7.4
Miscellaneous Manufacturing Industries	18.2	18.9	18.4	-0.7	-3.7	-0.2	-1.1
Jewelry	6.9	6.9	7.1	0.0	****	-0.2	-2.8
Nondurable Goods	190.4	197.5	196.0	-7.1	-3.6	-5.6	-2.9
Food & kindred products	19.5	19.8	21.6	-0.3	-1.5	-2.1	-9.7
Textile mill products	15.5	16.3	16.8	-0.8	-4.9	-1.3	-7.7
Apparel	21.4	23.9	23.3	-2.5	-10.5	-1.9	-8.2
Mens & Boys suits,coats & furnishings	5.9	6.4	6.4	-0.5	-7.8	-0.5	-7.8
Paper & allied products	23.7	24.4	23.7	-0.7	-2.9	0.0	****
Printing & Publishing	56.3	57.3	55.0	-1.0	-1.7	1.3	2.4
Chemicals	17.3	17.4	17.7	-0.1	-0.6	-0.4	-2.3
Rubber & miscellaneous Plastic products	27.1	28.0	28.1	-0.9	-3.2	-1.0	-3.6
Miscellaneous Plastic products	20.7	21.5	21.8	-0.8	-3.7	-1.1	-5.0
Leather & Leather products	7.8	8.6	8.2	-0.8	-9.3	-0.4	-4.9
Footwear, except rubber	3.7	4.3	4.1	-0.6	-14.0	-0.4	-9.8
Mining	2.0	2.0	1.9	0.0	****	0.1	5.3
Construction	162.2	158.6	147.0	3.6	2.3	15.2	10.3
Transportation, Communication & Public Utilities	129.0	133.0	128.5	-4.0	-3.0	0.5	0.4
Wholesale & Retail trade	737.3	744.6	723.7	-7.3	-1.0	13.6	1.9
Wholesale Trade	175.7	176.5	171.0	-0.8	-0.5	4.7	2.7
Retail Trade	561.6	568.1	552.7	-6.5	-1.1	8.9	1.6
Finance, Insurance & Real Estate	233.2	231.5	223.2	1.7	0.7	10.0	4.5
Banking	65.7	65.7	65.8	0.0	****	-0.1	-0.2
Services	886.8	888.6	847.8	-1.8	-0.2	39.0	4.6
Health Services	251.1	253.0	242.5	-1.9	-0.8	8.6	3.5
Educational Services	99.1	103.8	100.1	-4.7	-4.5	-1.0	-1.0
Government	395.0	411.7	391.5	-16.7	-4.1	3.5	0.9
Federal	62.7	62.8	62.9	-0.1	-0.2	-0.2	-0.3
U.S. Postal Service	28.0	28.0	26.9	0.0	****	1.1	4.1
State	102.7	102.2	100.8	0.5	0.5	1.9	1.9
Educational services	25.7	26.2	26.2	-0.5	-1.9	-0.5	-1.9
Local	229.6	246.7	227.8	-17.1	-6.9	1.8	0.8
Educational services	117.9	138.7	116.6	-20.8	-15.0	1.3	1.1
Other Local	111.7	108.0	111.2	3.7	3.4	0.5	0.4
* High Technology Manufacturing	235.5	237.6	238.8	-2.1	-0.9	-3.3	-1.4
* High Technology Nonmanufacturing	90.7	90.0	86.5	0.7	0.8	4.2	4.9

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* - Not currently validated by the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics

NONAGRICULTURAL WAGE & SALARY EMPLOYMENT

BOSTON PMSA

INDUSTRY	EMPLOYMENT			CHANGE			
				PRIOR MO.		YEAR AGO	
	JULY 1988	JUNE 1988	JULY 1987	#	%	#	%
NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT	1730.0	1754.3	1696.0	-24.3	-1.4	34.0	2.0
Manufacturing	273.3	277.1	276.5	-3.8	-1.4	-3.2	-1.2
Durable Goods	194.3	196.5	197.2	-2.2	-1.1	-2.9	-1.5
Primary Metals	3.1	3.4	3.2	-0.3	-8.8	-0.1	-3.1
Fabricated Metals	15.2	15.5	15.8	-0.3	-1.9	-0.6	-3.8
Madhinery, except electrical	46.8	47.5	48.0	-0.7	-1.5	-1.2	-2.5
Electrical & Electronic machinery,equip.,etc.	59.0	59.6	58.7	-0.6	-1.0	0.3	0.5
Transportation equipment	19.8	19.9	20.7	-0.1	-0.5	-0.9	-4.3
Instruments	39.0	39.1	39.3	-0.1	-0.3	-0.3	-0.8
Nondurable Goods	79.0	80.6	79.3	-1.6	-2.0	-0.3	-0.4
Food & kindred products	11.3	11.7	11.5	-0.4	-3.4	-0.2	-1.7
Textile mill products	2.3	2.5	2.2	-0.2	-8.0	0.1	4.5
Apparel	6.1	6.4	6.5	-0.3	-4.7	-0.4	-6.2
Paper & allied products	6.7	6.8	6.9	-0.1	-1.5	-0.2	-2.9
Printing & Publishing	33.6	33.8	33.0	-0.2	-0.6	0.6	1.8
Chemicals	8.2	8.3	8.1	-0.1	-1.2	0.1	1.2
Rubber & miscellaneous Plastic products	7.8	8.0	8.1	-0.2	-2.5	-0.3	-3.7
Leather & Leather products	2.2	2.3	2.3	-0.1	-4.3	-0.1	-4.3
Mining	1.1	1.1	0.9	0.0	****	0.2	22.2
Construction	78.3	77.2	72.5	1.1	1.4	5.8	8.0
Transportation, Communication & Public Utilities	75.3	76.4	74.5	-1.1	-1.4	0.8	1.1
Wholesale & Retail trade	385.4	388.4	382.3	-3.0	-0.8	3.1	0.8
Finance, Insurance & Real Estate	156.7	157.2	152.4	-0.5	-0.3	4.3	2.8
Banking	44.2	44.2	43.7	0.0	****	0.5	1.1
Insurance	36.8	36.9	36.9	-0.1	-0.3	-0.1	-0.3
Services	560.2	565.7	541.2	-5.5	-1.0	19.0	3.5
Health Services	141.4	143.1	138.0	-1.7	-1.2	3.4	2.5
Educational Services	72.4	76.4	72.6	-4.0	-5.2	-0.2	-0.3
Government	199.7	211.2	195.7	-11.5	-5.4	4.0	2.0
Federal	38.3	38.4	39.1	-0.1	-0.3	-0.8	-2.0
U.S. Postal Service	15.4	15.4	15.1	0.0	****	0.3	2.0
Federal Hospitals	4.9	4.8	5.2	0.1	2.1	-0.3	-5.8
State	52.8	51.8	50.7	1.0	1.9	2.1	4.1
State Hospitals	5.2	5.1	4.8	0.1	2.0	0.4	8.3
Educational services	8.6	8.7	8.2	-0.1	-1.1	0.4	4.9
Local	108.6	121.0	105.9	-12.4	-10.2	2.7	2.5

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NONAGRICULTURAL WAGE & SALARY EMPLOYMENT

INDUSTRY	EMPLOYMENT			CHANGE			
				PRIOR MO.		YEAR AGO	
	JULY 1988	JUNE 1988	JULY 1987	#	%	#	%
SPRINGFIELD MSA							
NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT	239.6	244.4	235.5	-4.8	-2.0	4.1	1.7
Manufacturing	50.3	51.4	50.8	-1.1	-2.1	-0.5	-1.0
Durable Goods	25.8	26.4	26.0	-0.6	-2.3	-0.2	-0.8
Fabricated Metals	7.0	7.0	6.9	0.0	****	0.1	1.4
Machinery, except electrical	6.5	6.5	6.3	0.0	****	0.2	3.2
Nondurable Goods	24.5	25.0	24.8	-0.5	-2.0	-0.3	-1.2
Textile mill products	1.4	1.6	1.5	-0.2	-12.5	-0.1	-6.7
Apparel	0.8	0.9	1.0	-0.1	-11.1	-0.2	-20.0
Paper & allied products	7.9	8.1	7.7	-0.2	-2.5	0.2	2.6
Printing & Publishing	6.2	6.2	6.4	0.0	****	-0.2	-3.1
Mining	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.0	****	0.0	****
Construction	11.0	10.6	10.6	0.4	3.8	0.4	3.8
Transportation, Communication & Public Utilities	9.5	10.1	9.1	-0.6	-5.9	0.4	4.4
Wholesale & Retail trade	56.9	58.0	55.4	-1.1	-1.9	1.5	2.7
Finance, Insurance & Real Estate	17.0	16.9	16.5	0.1	0.6	0.5	3.0
Services	58.3	58.7	55.9	-0.4	-0.7	2.4	4.3
Government	36.5	38.6	37.1	-2.1	-5.4	-0.6	-1.6
Federal	6.3	6.3	6.3	0.0	****	0.0	****
State	8.4	8.4	8.2	0.0	****	0.2	2.4
Local	21.8	23.9	22.6	-2.1	-8.8	-0.8	-3.5
WORCESTER MSA							
NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT	204.1	208.0	195.9	-3.9	-1.9	8.2	4.2
Manufacturing	45.6	46.5	45.5	-0.9	-1.9	0.1	0.2
Durable Goods	30.7	31.1	30.1	-0.4	-1.3	0.6	2.0
Primary Metals	2.2	2.2	2.0	0.0	****	0.2	10.0
Fabricated Metals	6.9	6.9	6.7	0.0	****	0.2	3.0
Machinery, except electrical	9.8	10.0	10.0	-0.2	-2.0	-0.2	-2.0
Nondurable Goods	14.9	15.4	15.4	-0.5	-3.2	-0.5	-3.2
Textile mill products	2.5	2.6	2.8	-0.1	-3.8	-0.3	-10.7
Leather & Leather products	0.4	0.6	0.7	-0.2	-33.3	-0.3	-42.9
Mining	0.2	0.2	0.1	0.0	****	0.1	100.0
Construction	11.1	11.0	10.1	0.1	0.9	1.0	9.9
Transportation, Communication & Public Utilities	8.5	8.6	8.5	-0.1	-1.2	0.0	****
Wholesale & Retail trade	47.6	48.9	47.0	-1.3	-2.7	0.6	1.3
Finance, Insurance & Real Estate	15.4	15.2	14.2	0.2	1.3	1.2	8.5
Services	51.8	52.3	47.5	-0.5	-1.0	4.3	9.1
Government	23.9	25.3	23.0	-1.4	-5.5	0.9	3.9

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NONAGRICULTURAL WAGE & SALARY EMPLOYMENT

INDUSTRY	EMPLOYMENT			CHANGE			
				PRIOR MO.		YEAR AGO	
	JULY 1988	JUNE 1988	JULY 1987	#	%	#	%
BROCKTON PMSA							
NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT	74.0	75.1	71.7	-1.1	-1.5	2.3	3.2
Manufacturing	11.1	11.5	11.1	-0.4	-3.5	0.0	****
Durable Goods	6.2	6.3	6.1	-0.1	-1.6	0.1	1.6
Electrical & Electronic machinery,equip.,etc.	1.3	1.3	1.3	0.0	****	0.0	****
Nondurable Goods	4.9	5.2	5.0	-0.3	-5.8	-0.1	-2.0
Construction	4.6	4.4	4.0	0.2	4.5	0.6	15.0
Transportation, Communication & Public Utilities	4.9	5.2	4.9	-0.3	-5.8	0.0	****
Wholesale & Retail trade	23.3	23.4	21.9	-0.1	-0.4	1.4	6.4
Finance, Insurance & Real Estate	3.3	3.2	3.2	0.1	3.1	0.1	3.1
Services	15.6	15.7	14.9	-0.1	-0.6	0.7	4.7
Government	11.2	11.7	11.7	-0.5	-4.3	-0.5	-4.3
Federal	3.2	3.1	3.0	0.1	3.2	0.2	6.7
State	2.4	2.5	2.4	-0.1	-4.0	0.0	****
Local	5.6	6.1	6.3	-0.5	-8.2	-0.7	-11.1
LAWRENCE - HAVERHILL MASS. - N.H. PMSA							
NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT	162.6	167.5	160.0	-4.9	-2.9	2.6	1.6
Manufacturing	48.9	49.9	50.2	-1.0	-2.0	-1.3	-2.6
Durable Goods	35.7	36.4	36.7	-0.7	-1.9	-1.0	-2.7
Nondurable Goods	13.2	13.5	13.5	-0.3	-2.2	-0.3	-2.2
Leather & Leather products	1.5	1.8	1.6	-0.3	-16.7	-0.1	-6.3
Construction	9.0	8.8	8.6	0.2	2.3	0.4	4.7
Transportation, Communication & Public Utilities	6.2	6.7	6.5	-0.5	-7.5	-0.3	-4.6
Wholesale & Retail trade	38.1	38.4	36.4	-0.3	-0.8	1.7	4.7
Finance, Insurance & Real Estate	6.7	6.7	6.5	0.0	****	0.2	3.1
Services	35.1	35.9	33.4	-0.8	-2.2	1.7	5.1
Government	18.6	21.1	18.4	-2.5	-11.8	0.2	1.1

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